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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO BRITISH ON STRATEGY FOR JANUARY SC
ON MIDDLE EAST DEBATE

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1. THIS IS TO CONFIRM TELECON BETWEEN LEWIS AND SHERER
DEALING WITH RESPONSE TO BRITISH APPROACH CONCERNING A
EUROPEAN PREEMPTIVE DRAFT AT JANUARY 12 SC DEBATE ON ME.
2. YOU MAY INFORM UKUN THAT U.S. POSITION ON JANUARY SC
MIDDLE EAST DEBATE IS UNDER CONSIDERATION AND WHILE WE ARE
UNABLE TO DISCUSS OUR VIEWS WITH BRITISH IN DETAIL UNTIL
AFTER ALLON'S VISIT, WE ARE INTERESTED IN THEIR IDEAS AS
DESCRIBED TO MOYNIHAN AND SHERER AND WHAT SUPPORT THERE
MIGHT BE FOR SUCH A PREEMPTIVE DRAFT. HOWEVER, WE CAN GIVE
THEM NO INDICATION NOW WHETHER ANY SUCH PREEMPTIVE DRAFT
RESOLUTION WOULD MEET OUR APPROVAL OR ABSTENTION. WE ARE IN
NO POSITION NOW EVEN TO HINT AT BEING ABLE TO ACCEPT
ANYTHING WHICH GOES BEYOND REAFFIRMATION OF SC 242 AND 338.
YOU SHOULD ALSO MAKE CLEAR THAT WE COULD NOT ACCEPT ANYTHING
CALLING FOR PALESTNIAN PARTICIPATION IN NEGOTIATIONS. INGERSOLL

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